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MAKOTO SATO, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/702,764

Filed: November 1, 2000

For: IMAGE PROCESSING
 METHOD AND APPARATUS,
 AND STORAGE MEDIUM, FOR
 RECEIVING AND DECODING A
 CODE SEQUENCE OBTAINED
 BY ENCODING AN IMAGE
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